YOUR LOVED ONES DESERVE THIS HONOR AUDUBON COUNTY VETERAN'S MEMORIAL

The purpose is to give the people of this area a chance to participate in a lasting tribute to those who have given a portion of their lives to the service of our country.

Any man or woman, living or dead, current member, or honorably discharged member of any branch of the United States Armed Forces is eligible to have his or her name placed on this memorial.

A veteran need not be from this immediate area to be honored in this memorial. The Committee feels that there may be families that do not live here but have enough ties to this area that they wish to be included. All will be welcomed.

The Committee would like to include every deserving veteran but because there is no place to find a list of all our eligible veterans we will have to depend on interested people to supply them. Please help us if you can, don't leave it to somebody else to remember. We need your help.

The individual veteran will be honored by having his or her name engraved on a 1%" x 6" black enameled brass plate. These brass plates will be attached to a larger plate of stainless steel and then covered with Lexan clear plastic sheets so that they will be protected from the weather. The completed units will then be attached to a vertical masonry structure so that people may read the names of honored ones for many years to come.

The application can be made by any interested person and needs to be accompanied by a minimum donation of \$25. If you know of a veteran whom you believe is deserving of being honored and believe that they have no family or friends to submit his or her name, you may submit the name with whatever information that you have. It is hoped that we will receive donations beyond the \$25 per name that will enable us to put on the names of those deserving veterans who have no direct sponsor.

What can be on a name plate? Almost anything pertaining to a veteran or his or her family or friends, such as: rank, name, <u>branch or service is required</u>, birthdate, date of death if deceased, conflicts involved in if any, theater of action, citations, special medals, date of induction, date of discharge, organizational affiliations such as: American Legion, Amvets, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, name of wife or husband, names of children and names of sponsors, even if unrelated. If a wife's name is included, it is well to include her maiden name to help viewers complete the family associations.

Remember that your space is limited. Use abbreviations wherever possible. Most of the periods after an abbreviation can be left out. Use abbreviations such as: KIA for killed in action, WWI for World War One, WWII for World War Two, etc.

What will not be permitted? The name of any person not honorably discharged. Any personal reference of a derogatory nature. Any words or wording that could be deemed to have a political or a pornographic intent. The Audubon County Veteran's Memorial Committee shall have complete and final authority to accept or reject any requested wording.

Please use the space below to list the name of the veteran that you wish to honor. If you wish to honor more than one veteran you will need to use a separate application form for each one. Please print or type in the exact wording that you want. Remember that with the possible exception of abbreviations, the brass plate will be engraved exactly as you list it. If you misspell your loved one's name the engraver will too. Wording on the name plate is limited to three lines with a limit of 35 letters, spaces or punctuation marks per line. If, when the plates are done you should find an error and it is our mistake or the engravers error it will be corrected at no charge to you. If you made the error or you simply decide to change the wording there will be a \$10 charge to make a new plate.

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